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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

31. (Amended~~Proposed~~) A method for positioning a hanging device into an object hanging position, the method comprising: providing a hanging device having a push plate portion, a substantially straight lance portion projecting at about a right angle from the push plate portion, and a hanger portion extending and projecting from the push plate portion, the method comprising:

inserting the lance portion of the hanging device into a wall comprising a drywall or plasterboard material by applying a pressing force on the push plate portion in an axial direction until the hanging device is positioned into a device insertion position; and

rotating the lance portion of the hanging device, about the axial direction and in a plane substantially parallel to the wall, by exerting a rotational force on at least one of the push plate portion and the hanger portion, the lance portion being rotated from the device insertion position to the object hanging position in which the hanger portion is positioned to receive an object;

wherein a lance aperture is created in the wall as a result of the inserting of the lance portion:

wherein the hanging device is a unitary structure such that the lance portion is integral with the push plate portion and the push plate portion is in fixed relation to the lance portion and the hanger portion while inserting the lance portion of the hanging device into the wall.

32. (Amended~~Proposed~~) The method of ~~Claim 31 wherein at least one of the inserting and rotating steps is accomplished without the use of a mechanical tool.~~ ~~Claim 31, wherein the hanging device further include a barb portion that includes a rear shoulder and the method further~~ (Amended) The method of ~~Claim 31 wherein the barb~~ ~~Claim 31, wherein the hanging device further include a barb portion that includes a rear shoulder and the method further~~ comprises biasing the rear shoulder against the wall inner surface of the wall by rotation of the device about the axial direction such that the hanger is secured within or to the wall and the hanger is impeded from passing back through the wall without further rotation of the lance.

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34. (Amended) ~~The method of Claim 31 wherein, during the rotating step, the hanging device is rotated about 90 degrees at least one of clockwise and counter clockwise about the axial direction.~~

35. (Amended) ~~The method of Claim 31 wherein the providing step further comprises stamping at least one of the push plate, the lance and the barb.~~

36. (Amended) ~~The method of Claim 31 wherein the providing step is further comprises at least one of bending and cutting at least one of the push plate, the lance and the barb.~~

37. (Amended) ~~The method of Claim 31 wherein the hanger is one of a hook hanger, a notched ear hanger, and an ear hanger.~~

33. (Proposed) The method of Claim 32 wherein the barb portion includes a rear shoulder portion that is located at a distance from a rear surface of the push plate portion, the distance substantially equal to the thickness of the wall.

34. (Proposed) The method of claim 31 wherein the lance aperture is created by inserting the lance and barb portions into the wall and the lance aperture comprises a rectangular or oblong shape.

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